trol) Order, 1907, the copies of which were laid on the floor of the House. The order was promulgated after vetting by the Ministry of Law.

(b) The amount was spent in accordance with the provisions of DPCO, 1979 and DPCO, 1987.

Confirmation of AEES in DOT

3477. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 20 temporary post of Assistant Executive Engineers (Civil) in DOT have been made permanent during the years 1979-81;

(b) whether all the officers eligible for confirmation against these posts have been confirmed so far; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for the delay and the probable date by which the confirmation shall be done?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. Not so far.

(c) The completion of all prescribed procedural formalities took sometime and now the case is being finalised shortly.

Setting up of carbon fibre manufacturing plant

3478. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Petro-chemicals Corporation Ltd. has a proposal to set up a Carbon fibre manufacturing plant in collaboration with a UK-based plastic Company; and

(b) what are the details thereof indicating the name of the UK based plastic company and the site selected for the purpose and the amount involved?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (IPCL) propose to set up the Research and Development Pilot Plant and Associated Product Applications Development facilities for Carbon Fibre based on know-how from M|s R. K. Textiles & Composite Fibres Ltd., UK at its Baroda Complex at an estimated cost of Rs. 31 crores with a foreign exchange component of Rs. 13.23 crores.

Retrenchment in NPCC

3479. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: SHRI SHARAD YADAV:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that while on the one hand over a thousand workers have been declared surplus in NPCC and retrenchment orders of about 500 workers have been issued, on the other hand recruitment to accepted the offer have been absorbed various categories of staff is also taking place there; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor stating the number of persons who have since been retrenched| declared surplus and the manner in which they are proposed to be rehabilitated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Owing to closure/tapering of various works and after taking into consideration its manpower requirements, about 1050 workmen are estimated to be surplus by the NPCC. The NPCC offered alternate employment in the security discipline to 570 workers. About 70 workmen who accepted the offer have been absorbed in the Corporation. The remaining 500 workmen have been retrenched after payment of their arrears of pay, retrenchment compensation, gratuity,